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REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the above-amended claims and the following remarks. Claims 1-17, 19 and 23 are pending in this application. The Examiner has stated that claims 1-17 and 23 are allowed. The Examiner has acknowledged that claim 19 is directed to allowable subject matter. Claim 19 has been re-written in independent form. Claims 18, 20-22 have been canceled without prejudice to Applicant's right to file one or more continuing applications directed to any subject matter not presently claimed. No new matter has been added by these amendments.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance of claims 1-17 and 23. Applicant also acknowledges the Examiner's finding that claim 19 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant has rewritten claim 19 into independent form by incorporating the subject matter of canceled independent claim 18 into claim 19. Thus, amended independent claim 19 should now be in condition for allowance. The rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103 are now moot.

Conclusion


Based on the remarks set forth above, Applicant believes that all of the rejections have been overcome and the claims of the subject application are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any further concerns or believe that a discussion with the Applicant's attorney would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the attorney at the number below.

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No fee is believed to be due for this submission. However, should any required fees be due, please charge them to Acushnet Company Deposit Account No. 502309.

Respectfully submitted,

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